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**NMFS ANNOUNCES THAT THE
PROTECTED SPECIES RELEASE, DISENTANGLEMENT, AND IDENTIFICATION
WORKSHOP**

IN MANAHAWKIN, NJ ON JANUARY 13, 2011,

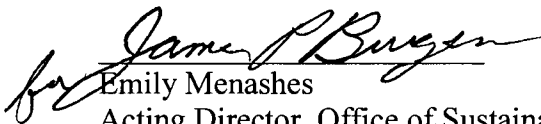
*****HAS BEEN CANCELLED*****

The National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) requires that shark and swordfish limited access permit holders who fish with longline or gillnet gear attend and become certified at Protected Species Release, Disentanglement, and Identification Workshops in order to renew or transfer either a shark limited access and/or a swordfish limited access permit (71 FR 58057; October 2, 2006). Vessel operators are required to possess on board the vessel valid workshop certificates for both the vessel owner and operator at all times. These workshops are conducted monthly at various locations along the Atlantic coast and Gulf of Mexico. The dates and locations of the workshops are announced quarterly through publication of a notice in the Federal Register, letters to affected permit holders, and an e-mail notice to subscribers of "Atlantic HMS News."

This is to announce that the **Protected Species Release, Disentanglement, and Identification Workshop that was to be held in Manahawkin, NJ on January 13, 2011, has been cancelled due to inclement weather.** The workshop instructors are unable to travel to the location. When the workshop is rescheduled, NMFS will publish a notice in the Federal Register and send an e-mail notice to subscribers of "Atlantic HMS News" announcing the new date and location.

If you were planning to attend this workshop on January 13, 2011, in Manahawkin, NJ, please note that it has been cancelled. A sign will be posted at the hotel informing attendees of the cancellation.

For additional information, please contact the Highly Migratory Species Management Division at 727-824-5399.


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01/12/2011
Date

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